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Office Action Summary

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Examiner

Saeid Ebrahimi-dehKordy

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-6 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-6 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on ____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 2.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. ____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: ____.

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

1. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

2. Claims 1-6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Peng et al (U.S. patent 6,252,671) in view of Morse et al (U.S. patent 5,590,260)

Regarding claim 1 and 6 Peng et al disclose: A method of displaying type to be displayed on an output device comprised of the steps of: decomposing a glyph to be displayed into constituent pieces (please note column 2 lines 28-29 where the glyph is breaking to one or more blocks of Glyph) reconstructing said glyph by combining said at least one constituent piece of said glyph with other constituent pieces of said glyph (please note column 2 lines 32-34 where the pieces of glyph are stitched or reconstructed together). However Peng et al do not quite disclose: adding a characteristic to at least one constituent piece of said glyph. On the other hand Morse et al disclose: adding a characteristic to at least one constituent piece of said glyph (please note page Fig.15 where the character is being padded).

Therefore it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in art at the time of the invention to modify Peng et al's invention according to the teaching of Morse et al, where Morse et al in the same filed of endeavor teach the way the glyph is being customized by being padded and for the purpose of making more animated.

Regarding claim 2 Morse et al disclose: The method of claim 1 wherein said step of adding a characteristic to at least one constituent piece of said glyph includes the steps of adding an addressable color to said at least one constituent piece of said glyph (please note column 11 lines 32-41).

Regarding claim 3 Morse et al disclose: The method of claim 1 wherein the step of adding a characteristic to at least one constituent piece of said glyph includes the steps of adding a texture to said at least one constituent piece of said glyph (please note column 12 lines 40-41).

Regarding claim 4 Morse et al disclose: The method of claim 1 wherein the step of adding a characteristic to at least one constituent piece of said glyph includes the steps of adding a pattern to said at least one constituent piece of said glyph (please note column 6 lines 25-28).

Regarding claim 5 Peng et al disclose: The method of claim 1 further comprised of the step of smoothing intersections of said constituent pieces of said glyph after reconstructing said glyph by combining said at least one constituent piece of said glyph with other constituent pieces of said glyph (please note column 8 lines 15-18).

Contact Information

- Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to *Saeid Ebrahimi-Dehkordy* whose telephone number is (703) 306-3487.

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The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kimberly Williams, can be reached at (703) 305-4863.

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